

Worksession Meeting
Monday, August 4, 2014
7:30 pm
Municipal Building

Meeting Minutes

Call to order– 7:30 pm

Roll Call – All were present

Moment of Silence –

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

Approval of Agenda – motion by CM Kennedy II to accept the agenda; all were in favor to accept the agenda

Approval of Meeting Minutes – (June 8th – CYTR; July 7 – WS & July 16 – TM 2014) – there was a motion to waive the reading and to adopt the meeting minutes; all were in favor.

Presentation – Mr. Robert Vricella of Cerenzia Development, LLC & Mr. Henry Arrington, Consultant of PMA Associates discussed with the citizens of Cree Drive the proposed development of section 16 behind Cree Drive. There was a lot of Q&A with the Developer, Citizens and the Town Council.

Report of Officers and Committees –

Code Enforcement Report – The Chief distributed the CEO report to the Mayor and Town Council on the warnings/civil citations written for the month of July 2014.

Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Vaughn read the bank balances as of 8/4/2014 for all accounts. And she also distributed a listing of all expenditures over \$1,000.

Public Works Supervisor Report – Mr. Mosley gave a report on the status of the Town appearance and there were various questions about issues within the Town.

Police Chief Report – Chief Russell gave the Town Council the stats for July 2014.

Town Administrator Report – Mr. Haefele gave a brief report on LGIT insurance for the Town; FY2014 – 2015 goals for the town; WSSC will be hold a meeting at the Town hall on Sept. 15 to discuss their rates; Gasboy usage and he also shared an article from Johnstown, CO.

Committee Reports –

Ward I – None.

Ward II –CM Kennedy II acknowledgements & recognition of the work Mrs. Hawkins had put into the FH Day event on 8/2/2014 CW Mann discussed the email she sent out to the Town

Council about having quarterly reports of committees and also the Farmer's Market grant she is working on and is due at the end of August.

Ward III — CM Stoner asked for clarification about the meal tickets for FH Day event; CW Muhammad gave her comments about the success of the FH Day event and the great job Mrs. Hawkins had done.

Mayor's Report – discussed implementing a Miss Forest Heights pageant; Thursday, August 7 the Mayor will be attending a Stormwater meeting and she also discussed getting a Green Team started for the Town.

Public Period – The Town's website need to be updated

Legislation –

Resolution 26-14 Approving the Appointment of three (3) New Ethics Commissioners; motion by CM Kennedy II to waive the reading; discussion; motion by CW Mann to adopt Res. 26-14; vote (6) yes; (1) no; motion passed.

Resolution 38-14 a policy declaring the Town of Forest Heights intent to take a leadership role in reducing transportation petroleum consumption in and by the Town of Forest Heights, by partnering with the Maryland Energy Administration and enrolling as a Smart Energy Community; motion by CM Kennedy II to waive the reading and to adopt Res. 38-14; vote (7) yes; (0) no; motion passed.

Emergency Ordinance 08-14 revising Article 13 (Nuisances, Morals and Conduct) of the Town Ordinance Code, by changing, amending, renaming and re-adopting section 13.9 (Nuisances, generally and specified, formally catchphrased as "Penalty"); motion by CM Kennedy II to waive the reading and to adopt Em. Ord. 08-14; vote(7) yes; (0) no; motion passed.

Ordinance 09-14 amending Article 11 (Health) and section 11.5 (Billing) of the Ordinance Code to clarify and define the assessments and levy of the municipal solid waste service fee; motion by CW Smith-Barnes to waive the 2nd reading and adopt Ord. 09-14; vote(7) yes; (0) no; motion passed.

Ordinance 10-14 to establish new sections (§ 2.8 et seq.) in the Town Ordinance Code regarding the authority of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Forest Heights in the issuance of proclamations and orders in response to civil emergencies and to the criminal penalties for violating such orders and generally relating to civil emergencies; there was a motion by CW Smith-Barnes to waive the 2nd reading and adopt Ord. 10-14; vote(6) yes; (0) no (1) abstain; motion passed.

New Business – Vern gave an update of the Youth Theater Group

Closed Session – (10:41 pm) motion by Mayor Goodall to go into a closed session to discuss personnel issues under State Government Article Section 10-508(a) 1(ii) & 7 on the closed meeting form; vote (7) yes; (0) no; motion carried to discuss personnel issues and annexation.

There was motion to end the closed session to end the closed session all were in favor (11:37 pm)

Back in session –

Persons present for the closed session were: Mayor Goodall, CW Smith-Barnes; CM Barnes; CW Mann; CM Kennedy II; CW Muhammad; CM Stoner; Town Attorney; Town Administrator; Chief Russell & Town Clerk

Resolution 49-14 early payment for the Mayor; motion by CW Smith-Barnes to waive the reading; all were in favor; motion by CM Kennedy II to accept Res. 49-14; vote (6) yes; (1) no; motion passed.

Adjournment – 11:41 pm

Bonita Anderson
Submitted by Town Clerk